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Dear Sir:

## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 21, 2008

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 21, 2008, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 21, 2009, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/CRUI/0011/WBP for any deficiencies and credit any overpayment required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.